The Compound

Literary Devices – Chapter 2

1. **"My gut had realized it was our birthday even though my brain didn't"**
2. **"I didn't own a calendar. And I sure as hell didn't mark off the days like some survivor on a desert island."**
3. **"...on August 6, when the United States bombed Hiroshima, and the August 9, Nagasaki. The events of July 16 paled next to those."**
4. **"...I wouldn't be surprised if he'd Sharpied the date on my forehead when I was born."**
5. **"The grayish flour stuck to my fingers. 'I thought flour didn't go bad' (Eli).....'I thought so, too. (Mom)"**
6. **"...it was exciting in the same way a California earthquake might be exciting to a person from the Midwest, or a tornado might be exciting to a person who lives in New England."**
7. **"the clown raised his freakish eyebrows. 'You're obviously the evil twin.'"**
8. **"I chose The Matrix, even though it was old and I'd seen it about a hundred times."**
9. **“The Compound itself must have taken years to build. I never asked for the details. It would be like a lion asking about who built his cage.”**
10. **“The air smelled of oranges, almost too much so. I’d expected the room to smell musty, like a museum. I’d forgotten that it was connected to the same ventilation system as the rest of the Compound.”**
11. **“As I looked around that room, so much like mine had been, I felt strange, like I’d traveled back in time.”**
12. **“I walked quickly past the next door, as I always did.....The rooms went on and on, like berries on a bush. ”**
13. **“Eddy and I had lived on the Internet, playing online games, instant messaging our friends. We even IM’ed each other at night, even though we were separated by only a bedroom wall.”**